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Dear Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed July 15, 2005, setting a three-month term for reply. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136(a) and 1.17(a), a three-month extension of the term for reply, i.e., to up to and including January 15, 2006 is respectfully requested. As January 15, 2006 fell on a Sunday, and Monday, January 16, 2006 was a Federal Holiday, this paper is being filed the following business day, Tuesday, January 17, 2006. A check in the amount of \$510.00 is enclosed in payment of the fee therefore by a small entity. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, or credit any overpayment in fees, to Deposit Account 50-0320.